AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

Amend the following paragraph(s):

[0023] -- The container 18, whether on the highway truck 1 or railway train 2, whereby several railway trains as well as several highway trucks may be disposed behind and next to one another, is identified either by a reader on the spreader 8 or also by hand and stored in a data processing system. Either the identification establishes already the destination location and the receiver, or this information must be inputted by hand. Taking into consideration the next train intended for the destination location, the container 18 is deposited either upon the railway train 2, when unloaded from the highway truck, or in the transfer zone 4. When removing the container 18 from the highway truck, the hoist 5 must be monitored by personnel. The spreader 8 of the hoist 5 and the unillustrated spreader of the further hoist 11 include sensors so as to facilitate the insertion of the holding pins in the respective receptacles. However, it should be taken into account that the highway truck not necessarily is positioned in parallel relationship to the rails 9 for the hoist 5 so that a rotation of the spreader 8 about a vertical axis may be required. When the container 18 is unevenly loaded and the container 18 is not arranged in parallel relationship to the ground, also an additional rotation about a horizontal axis may be required. After being lifted, the container is aligned into a position parallel to the rails 9 and generally horizontal. When intending to transport the container 18 into the intermediate storage facility, the further hoist 11 is operated by the data processing system to move in front of the container 18, to lower the spreader 8 and to lift the container 18. The spreader 8 of the further hoist 11 is moved until the container 18 is positioned with its center of gravity above the rail 12. Subsequently taking place is a horizontal conveyance to a location predetermined by the data processing system whereupon the spreader of the further hoist 11 is optionally moved upwards, with respective markings being provided on the vertical supports for cooperation with sensors on the telescopic

arm 13. Respective markings are provided on the bays for positioning of the further hoist 11 in front of the individual bays and cooperate with sensors which are provided on the vertical supports and on the telescopic arms. The container 18 is then moved into the respective bay and lowered.---.